(b) whether these companies are violating the provisions of Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provision Act, 1952;

(c) whether any action has not been taken by Government against such companies and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) if not, the companies against whom action has been taken?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Whenever any default is detected, actions, under the Sections 7A, 8F, 8B to 8G, 14(1)(A), 14(B) and 7Q of the Employees Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952, under Section 406/409 of IPC and under Section 110 of CrPC, are taken against the defaulters.

This includes attachment and sale of properties, arrest and detention of defaulters, appointment of receiver to manage the defaulters' properties.

Social Security Legislation for unorganised sector

1180. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Advisory Council has finalized the Social Security Legislation for unorganized sector workers in the country;

(b) if so, the salient features of the proposed Legislation;

(c) the number of workers going to be benefited from this Legislation who otherwise are not covered under any labour laws of the country;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the proposed Legislation would be implemented through workers facilitation centers; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) to (e) The National Advisory Council have recently forwarded the draft of a proposed "Unorganised Sector Workers'

Social Security Bill, 2005" to the Government of India. The draft is intended to address a Social Security System for Unorganised Workers. It, *inter-alia*, propose to redefine "worker" so as to include all types of unorganized workers in the definition of workers and to provide them with social security including health, insurance, maternity benefit and pension. The draft Bill seeks to reach the workers through Workers Facilitation Centres to be set up and supervised by the Facilitating Agencies which could include Post Offices, Cooperative Societies, Micro-Finance Institutions, Trade Unions, District and Village Panchayats and Urban Local Bodies.

Funds allocated for the welfare of child labourers

†1181. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether projects for the welfare of child labourers are being run at present;

(b) if so, the number of such projects and the details thereof; and

(c) the amount allocated for implementing these projects during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the 10th Plan Period the National Child Labour Project Scheme is being implemented in 250 districts of the country. Under the National Child Labour Project Scheme, funds are given to the Project Societies set up at the district level under the Chairmanship of District Magistrate. Under the said Scheme, special schools are run for the child workers to provide bridging education before they are mainstreamed into the regular school education system. The Special schools/Rehabilitation Centres provide following facilities to the children withdrawn from employment:

- Formal/Non-formal education;
- Vocational Training;
- Supplementary nutrition @ Rs. 5/- per child;
- Stipend @ Rs. 100/- per month to children withdrawn from employment;
- Health care facilities.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.